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SUBJECT: PAKISTANI ARMS REQUEST

1. FCO SOUTH ASIAN DEPARTMENT HEAD CHALMERS CONFIDED TO US FEBRUARY 24 THAT PAKISTANI FOREIGN MINISTRY PERMSEC SHAHI, WHO IS IN LONDON LOBBYING OXFORD UNIVERSITY TO REVERSE ITSELF GRANTING HONORARY DEGREE TO BHUTTO, HAS GIVEN BRITISH AN INDICATION OF ARMS REQUEST PAKISTANIS PLAN TO START WITH IN WASHINGTON. SHAHI TOLD PUS BRIMELOW THAT, IF US ANNOUNCEMENT LIFTING ARMS BAN WAS MADE SOON, AS EXPECTED, SHAHI WOULD GO TO WASHINGTON TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES FOR PAKISTAN'S FIRST ARMS REQUESTS. HE SAID THESE WOULD BE FOR ANTI-TANK MISSILES AND A REPLACEMENT FOR THE F-86 AIRCRAFT.

2. ASKED IF HE EXPECTED CREDIT TO BE PROVIDED, SHAHI REPLIED THAT WAS FOR LATER.

3. SO FAR BRITISH HAVE NOT HAD ANY SPECIFIC INDICATION OF HOW INDIANS PLAN TO REACT TO US PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT.

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